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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-27 (cancelled).

Claim 28 (currently amended): A stabilized solid composition comprising a 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative and a humectant_[[:]] wherein the 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative is gabapentin or pregabalin, or a combination thereof, and the humectant is one or more compounds selected from ethylene glycol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, sorbitol, glycerol, glycerol monoacetate, glycerol diacetate, glycerol triacetate, glycerol monohexanoate, glycerol monooctanoate, glycerol monodecanoate, and an aliphatic acid ester of a polyglycerol.

Claims 29-34 (cancelled).

- Claim 35 (previously presented): The stabilized solid composition of claim 28, wherein the amount of the humectant is 0.01-25 % by weight relative to the 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative.
- Claim 36 (previously presented): The stabilized solid composition of claim 28, further comprising an auxiliary agent.
- Claim 37 (previously presented): The stabilized solid composition of claim 36, wherein the total amount of the humectant is 0.01-25 % by weight relative to the 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative and the auxiliary agent.

Claims 38-39 (cancelled).

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- Claim 40 (previously presented): The stabilized solid composition of claim 28, wherein the stabilized solid composition is a pharmaceutical preparation in the form of tablets, granules or capsules.
- Claim 41 (currently amended): A process for stabilizing a solid composition containing a 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative, the process comprising combining the 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative with a humectant, [[;]] wherein the 4-amino-3-substituted butanoic acid derivative is gabapentin or pregabalin, or a combination thereof, and the humectant is one or more compounds selected from ethylene glycol, propylene glycol, butylene glycol, sorbitol, glycerol, glycerol monoacetate, glycerol diacetate, glycerol triacetate, glycerol monoacetate, and an eliphatic acid-ester of polyglycerol.

Claim 42 (cancelled).